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SUBJECT:NEW MAP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

REFS: (A) BANGKOK 19253; (B) STATE 94271

1. EMBASSY CORRECT IN ASSUMING OUR FLEXIBILITY ON SUB-
STANCE OF SECTION 505(F) AGREEMENT IS LIMITED BY TERMS OF
STATUTE AND SHOULD CONTINUE FOLLOW POSITION PARA 3, REF (A).
2. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THERE MAY BE INSTANCES WHERE IT WOULD
BE ADMINISTRATIVELY IMPOSSIBLE TO ACCOUNT FOR US ORIGIN
ITEMS OF THE "NUTS AND BOLTS" VARIETY, I.E., INHERENTLY
MINOR ARTICLES OF LITTLE, IF ANY, RECOVERABLE VALUE WHICH
HAVE LOST THEIR SEPARABLE IDENTITY AS BEING OF US-MAP ORI-
GIN. HOWEVER, WE COULD NOT GO SO FAR AS TO EXCLUDE FROM
THE SECTION 505(F) AGREEMENT AS BROAD A CATEGORY OF ITEMS
AS "SPARE PARTS" WHICH IN SOME CASES MAY NOT BE IDENTIFIABLE
BUT IN OTHER CASES ARE CLEARLY IDENTIFIABLE. IT IS NOT IN-
TENT OF USG THAT RTG ACCOUNT FOR SO CALLED CONSUMABLES AND
NUTS AND BOLTS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE ANY ATTEMPT TO
IDENTIFY SUCH ARTICLES AS OF US MAP-ORIGIN WOULD AS PRAC-
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TICAL MATTER NOT BE FEASIBLE AND USG WOULD NOT VIEW AGREE-

MENT ALONG LINES PROPOSED BY EMBASSY AS REQUIRING RTG TO SO
ACCOUNT.

3. AT MEETING DECEMBER 12, EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK TO CLARIFY
US POSITION ON SCRAP DRAWING ON PARA 2 ABOVE AS NECESSARY
WITH A VIEW TO OBTAINING RTG AGREEMENT ON EXCHANGE OF NOTES
AS PROPOSED REF B. FYI. IF NECESSARY TO SECURE AGREEMENT,
EMBASSY MAY PROPOSE MEETING RTG CONCERN BY INSERTION OF
WORD "IDENTIFIABLE" BETWEEN WORDS "OTHER" AND "DEFENSE
ARTICLE" IN SECOND PARA OF EMBASSY NOTE. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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